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**REPLY AFTER FINAL
EXPEDITED PROCESSING REQUESTED
PATENT**

Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 5725.0800

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| In re Application of: |) | |
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| Roland BAZIN et al. |) | Group Art Unit: 3743 |
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| Application No.: 09/725,048 |) | Examiner: Kathryn P. ODLAND |
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| Filed: November 29, 2000 |) | Confirmation No.: 8605 |
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| For: PROCESS FOR ACQUIRING |) | |
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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION
AND REQUEST TO WITHDRAW ITS FINALITY**

In response to the final Office Action dated July 28, 2004, the period of response to which has been extended to Monday, November 29, 2004 (November 28th is a Sunday), by the Petition for extension of time and fee payment filed herewith, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application in view of the following remarks.

Claims 1 and 3-63 are pending.

Before explaining why all of the pending claims are allowable, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to **withdraw the finality of the Office Action**

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